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Osphronemus deissneri Bleeker, 1859 (currently *Parosphromenus deissneri*; Osteichthyes, Perciformes): holotype replaced by a neotype

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power all previous fixations of type specimens for the nominal species *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 are hereby set aside and specimen no. ZRC 31377 in the Zoological Reference Collection, National University of Singapore, is designated as the neotype.
- (2) The name *Parosphromenus* Bleeker, 1877 (gender: masculine), type species by monotypy *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *deissneri*, as published in the binomen *Osphronemus* [sic] *deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 and as defined by the neotype designated in (1) above (specific name of the type species of *Parosphromenus* Bleeker, 1877), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3071

An application to set aside the holotype of *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 and to designate a neotype was received from Dr P.K.L. Ng (*National University of Singapore, Republic of Singapore*) and Dr Maurice Kottelat (*Cornol, Switzerland*) on 16 October 1997. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 55: 155–158 (September 1998). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1999 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 55: 157, with the addition of the placement of *Parosphromenus* Bleeker, 1877 on the Official List. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1999 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 19: Bock, Bouchet, Brothers, Cocks, Cogger, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song

Negative votes — 2: Kerzhner and Štys.

No vote was received from Martins de Souza.

Lehtinen and Ride were on leave of absence.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

deissneri, *Osphronemus*, Bleeker, 1859, *Natuurkundig Tijdschrift voor Nederlandsch Indië*, 18: 376.

Parosphromenus Bleeker, 1877, *Atlas ichthyologique des Indes orientales néerlandaises*, vol. 9 (Percoides 3), pl. 395, caption of fig. 1.